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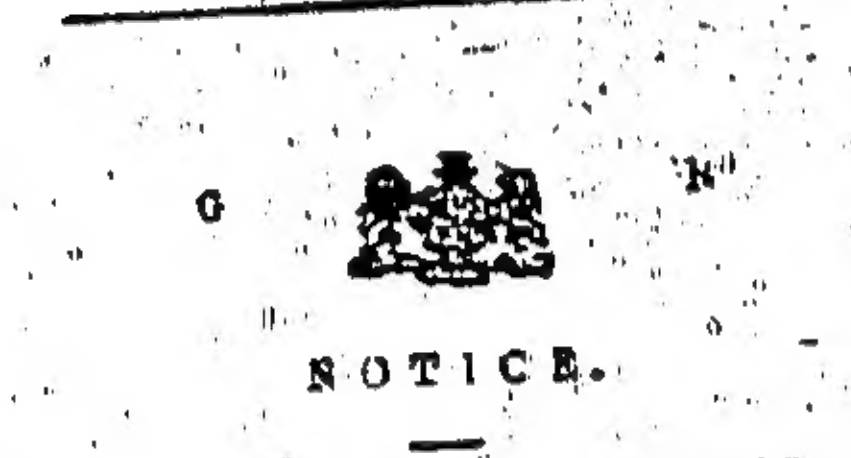
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THE WAR.
TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.
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THE WESTERN FRONT.
LONDON, Dec. 26.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig states that there is nothing to report.
GERMAN REPORT.
A German official message, by wireless, says artillery firing has been intense to the south-east of Ypres and in the neighbourhood of Moeuvres and Maroing.
THE BRITISH AIR-RAID ON MANNHEIM.
PARIS, Dec. 26.
The newspapers emphasise that the air-raid on Mannheim illustrates the extraordinary endurance of the British pilots who carried out the work in a temperature of 80 degrees below zero.
They state that Sir Douglas Haig is concentrating the British air forces in order to sternly reply to German air-raids on British towns. The Mannheim raid constitutes a magnificent record.

THE KAISER'S MESSAGE TO HIS WAR MINISTRY.
AMSTERDAM, Dec. 26.
The Kaiser has returned to Berlin and has sent a message to the Minister of War in which he claims that all the efforts of Great Britain, France and America have been in vain, owing to the death-defying courage of the troops and the strong support of the homeland with munitions of war. He concludes with an expression of confidence in final victory.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.
THE STRUGGLE ON THE ASIAGO PLATEAU.
LONDON, Dec. 26.
An Italian official report, by wireless, states:
The struggle on the Asiago Plateau recommenced at dawn yesterday. The enemy concentrated between Col-del-Rosso and Val Frenzellamaise. He was unable to advance beyond Basso.
We recaptured Col-del-Rosso and Monte Val Bella, but were unable to retain the positions.
Our barrage checked an attack on the left bank of the Brenta.
GERMAN REPORT.
A German official announcement states that the Italian counter-attacks on Col-del-Rosso broke down with heavy loss.

GERMAN INSTITUTIONS IN JERUSALEM.
CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS UNDISTURBED.
LONDON, Dec. 26.
A Berlin semi-official communication states that the Kaiserin Augusta Victoria Institution on the Mount of Olives, and the Paulus Hospice have not been occupied by the British, and the staffs remaining have not been disturbed.

THE SUBMARINE PIRACY.
BRITISH SHIPPING RETURNS.
LONDON, Dec. 26.
The Admiralty's weekly report shows:
Arrivals 2,311
Sailings 2,440
Sink (over 1,000 tons) 1,145
Sink (under 1,000 tons) 12
Unaccountably lost 12
One ship was sunk and one

RUSO-GERMAN PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.
LONDON, Dec. 26.
The Times Correspondent states that after the enemy Delegates have consulted their own Governments and have suspended the negotiations at Brest-Litovsk, they will split up into three Commissions, one sitting at Petrograd, under the presidency of M. Trotsky, a second will be concerned purely with military matters, sitting in Odessa, and a third will prepare material for a prospective European Peace Congress.

AFFAIRS IN RUSSIA.
PETROGRAD, Dec. 26.
The Maximalists have proclaimed a state of siege at Moscow, as a measure against counter-revolution.
The Prohvjensky Regiment has refused to discontinue guarding Taurida Palace pending the opening of the Constituent Assembly, because it distrusts the intentions of the Maximalists in this connection.
The Semenovskiy Guards have resolved not to arrest members of the Assembly.
It is reported from Jassy that General Tcherbacheff has arrested four ringleaders in the Maximalist plot to assassinate him.
The Rumanian Minister to Paris, confirming this, states that every thing goes to show that discipline will be maintained on the Rumanian Front.

GROWING OPPOSITION TO BOLSHEVISM.
LONDON, Dec. 26.
Correspondents emphasise the growing opposition, amongst all classes, to the Bolshheviks and the widespread disinclination of the troops from the Front to embark on a Civil War. Furthermore, it is stated that the Army is breaking up and peace is inevitable.

THE CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY.
LONDON, Dec. 26.
The Times Petrograd Correspondent states that the Constituent Assembly is being convoked for January 2.
Even the ignorant classes are interested in the fate.
The troops of the Petrograd Garrison showed a mutinous disposition cheering the Constituent Assembly.

GERMANS MASSING ON RUMANIAN FRONT.
LONDON, Dec. 26.
The Times Petrograd Correspondent states that the Germans are massing troops on the South-Western and Rumanian Fronts with a view to securing the rich harvests of Southern Russia.
It is pointed out that this concentration may ultimately be intended for despatch to Asia Minor.

AUSTRALIA AND CONSCRIPTION.
MELBOURNE, Dec. 26.
The latest figures in the Referendum are:
For Conscription 570,000
Against 1,050,000
including the first returns of the Australian Military Forces officially announced as 17,000 for and 17,000 against.

SUGAR FROM JAPAN FOR AMERICA.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.
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The conditions of the tendering, the specifications and the plans, the conditions are open to the public at the Public Works Department and in the Portuguese Consulate in Hongkong, where they can be examined all week days.

Macao Public Works Department, 18th December, 1917.

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Hongkong, Dec. 21, 1917. 2413

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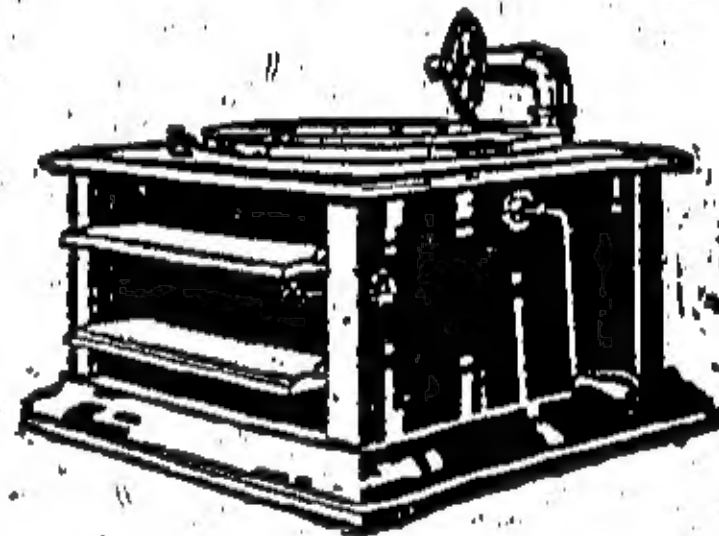
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GREAT DAYS IN THE WAR.

Four fighting days in the British campaign of 1917 stand out conspicuously above the rest—namely, those of April 9, June 7, July 31, and September 20 (writes the Military Correspondent of the Times). These have all been days of grand attacks, intended and destined to prove the superiority of the British over the German arms in battle. This last battle of September 20 only differs from the others in that it is a continuation of the day of July 31, and the completion of the Commander's plan for that operation.

August weather prevented it from being fought out to its logical and inevitable consequences long ago. In the sudden field of Flanders an Army is dependent, and too, much dependent upon the weather.

In this particular case of the battle of July 31 the main objective of our troops was completely exposed by that day's fighting, and the Germans ever since have piled up defences and accumulated troops to arrest the British advance on the Meuse road. Hindenburg and his chief lieutenants have visited the scene of strife, and everything possible has been done to prevent Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig from achieving his purpose. A maze of strong places, provided with every defensive and offensive apparatus known to man, was created, and in rear there was an unusually large number of divisions held in reserve, and obviously retained for counter-attacks of more than ordinary violence. All the more credit is due to commanders and troops for not only overcoming all these super-defences in a few hours, but for holding all the gains of the 20th in the face of powerful and reiterated counter-attacks delivered with the greatest determination by fresh reserves. Neither serious check nor fault is discoverable in the conduct of this masterly attack.

It has been proved many times in this war that nothing can safely be omitted in the mounting of a grand attack, and that if there be any want of skill or science, whether in staff work or the direction of any arm, it is sure to exact a terrible punishment. When, on the other hand, generalship, staff science, and the conduct of all arms in battle approach perfection, then, and then only, do we read of such glorious victories as those of Arras, Vimy, Meuse, and the Meuse Road. It is perhaps true that the Germans east of Ypres have put up against us a more perfect defence than the history of this war has ever shown or than future history will disclose. The defeat of our British Armies is the desire most deeply felt in German breasts, and as Hindenburg has known nothing but defeat in the West since he assumed command, we can be sure that all the best paraphernalia of German militarism has been arrayed against us. In four hours all was huddled into the dust or mud, and ruckus was once more the German battle-cry. We know the subsequent German Press will talk only more of the elastic German defence, will

CANADIANS' DASH FROM GERMANY.

HELD UP BY A BLOODHOUND.

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A story of German brutality is told by Private Watts, a lad of about nineteen, who was with the first Canadian Contingent (his home is at Port Arthur, Ontario) and was captured two and a half years ago, during the second battle of Ypres.

He was confined in a camp at Castrop, Westphalia, and, with other men, was set to work in the local coal mines and at another time in a coker, where prisoners had to shovel twenty tons of coals a day, whether it took them all the hours of the day and night, and whether they felt well or ill.

On one occasion a man who was ill with fever, and was unable to work, was compelled to stand at attention with a guard standing over him. When he fell down from exhaustion he was kicked until he stood up again. He was eventually removed to hospital. Private Watts states that no medical treatment was given to men who complained of illness.

All the men say that they would not be alive now but for the food parcels sent to them. Here is the diet of men who were working in mines or digging potato land:—

Breakfast: Cup of beer coffee.
Dinner: Thin soup, and, very rarely, a small ration of potato.
Supper: Soup and jib of black bread. Occasionally a small piece of cheese, which most men found uneatable.

It will be seen that the jib of bread—equal to one-quarter of a small English loaf—was the only solid food regularly served to these men who were working like slaves.

The Germans called the Canadians "Englanders" and "swine." The men say that after they were captured, and were behind the German lines, the Belgian women and children offered them food and cigarettes, but the Uhlans drove them back and rode them down.

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Figures often make poor and dry reading, but sometimes they are very illuminating. The bank started with seven branches, and a loss on the first year's working of £46,837. This, of course, was largely due to preliminary expenses. During the next year the deficit had been turned into a profit of £1,547. Now, in less than five years, the bank has 67 branches, over 2,800 agencies at post offices throughout Australia, Papua, and territory in New Guinea formerly in German occupation, with agents and correspondents in every country in the world, while the profits for the half-year ended June last were £226,130.

Half a million a year! It would pay the interest on ten millions of National Debt, yet the bank is in its infancy only, and its potentialities incalculable. The assets have increased from £5,055,381 at the end of the first half-year to £50,403,182 for the half-year ended June last. The accumulated profits in the reserve fund amount to £226,292. Incidentally it is provided that half the profits shall go towards a sinking fund for meeting the Commonwealth National Debt, the other half going to the bank's reserve fund. Its total figures even now are with one exception, higher than those of any other bank in the Commonwealth, and its last half-year's profits the highest.

ITS SERVICES TO THE STATE.
Better still, as Mr. Andrew Fisher, under whose premiership the bank was established and whose scheme it largely is, remarked at the opening of the new branch, "it has had a steady influence on the financial needs of Australia, it has added to the stability of banks generally, and has been a strength to the National Government of the Commonwealth." It is no mere generality to say that without its aid and its machinery the Commonwealth could not have done all it has in support of the Mother Country during the war.

Its services to the State cannot be represented in figures. It has floated five loans in London for the Commonwealth and South Australian Governments to the extent of £14,900,000, and it manages Government stocks in London to the aggregate of £46,313,790. Through its medium payments on behalf of the Australian Expeditionary Force are effected, and distribution made of the proceeds of the wool clip and wheat crops of Australia purchased by the British Government, aggregating nearly £50,000,000.

In Australia the Bank has floated loans for the Commonwealth wholly for war purposes to the amount of £30,115,500, and it is interesting to note that the expenses attending the flotation have been kept to the low average of 4s. 6d. per cent., including management expenses during the whole currency of the loans and for repayment at maturity.

It is a rather ironical circumstance that this most Socialistic of the British States in establishing this most Socialistic of institutions felt compelled to introduce the element of unfettered autocracy into its management to ensure success. But the seeming anachronism has been eminently successful. The first governor is Mr. Denison Miller, who was appointed for seven years with absolutely unimpeded control, even Parliamentary interference being barred. This was considered necessary in order to ensure the complete elimination of political and other influences. The plan has answered well, and there is no question that much of the Bank's success is due to the wise management and the foresight of its governor.

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LONDON REVISITED IN WAR TIME

SOME IMPRESSIONS.
(BY AN OLD LONDONER.)

Circumstances contrived it that, with the exception of an odd day or two, I have never been in London since the outbreak of war. I have never slept a night in town until the last fortnight. My knowledge of London was through newspapers or books or visiting friends. I had no immediate touch with the great town. In these circumstances it may be interesting to put down the impressions of a visitor who is, nevertheless, an old familiar, of London revisited in time of war.

What one had read in the papers had, of course, kept one acquainted with things that were going on. There was talk of the drying-up of civilian manpower, of the substitution of service by women, of darkened streets, of nocturnal accidents, of raids and bombed areas, of the disappearance of newspaper broadsheets, of queues and shortages. It was possible to envisage many things, even from a distance. And some things happened even to us, buried securely in the country. We, too, gaped and joked at girls in knickerbockers, girls in gaiters, girls on the land, girls trying to do what they could with ploughs and pigs and cattle. But until my return to London recently I had only some vague and possibly inaccurate pictures of London life in war-time.

THE TRIUMPH OF FEMINISM

What, then, did I find? And what were my impressions? My first idea was there was no change in the metropolis, that the town I had known and loved was still there for me. There were the same buses, even the same taxis, the same bright shops full of good things, the same theatres and suppers; there was the same eating and drinking, and marrying and giving in marriage—even a little more of this last. The outward face of London did not offer me any remarkable changes. If I had not known there was a war on I should not have suspected it. But I should have rubbed my eyes and stared in wonderment at the triumph of feminism.

Yes, that was the first and greatest surprise sprung upon me in my revisit. Where before there had been young men in plenty in the streets, on the side-paths, in the buses and on the vans, there were now visible only girls and women. A girl pulled me up the omnibus steps as the bell rang and I stumbled; a girl handed me my parcels when I went into my club girls brought me dishes and wines, not the remembered familiar faces. And they did it well, adroitly, without fuss or rumpus or advertising hustle. One of the things we have evidently learnt in the war is that woman can be as efficient as man—of course in suitable callings—without a greater display of excitement, confusion or emotion. I have every belief that when girls have invaded the realm of man in departments that fit them they will remain as conquerors.

I say the women were on the footpaths and in the streets; but so were the men. But the men were in khaki. London gave me the impression of being one gigantic camp. Soldiers were everywhere. I started to count them one morning, but I gave it up—it was a hopeless task. I went to a place of entertainment, and found nearly 50 per cent. of the audience were khaki. Unfamiliar headgear greeted me, whether Australian or New Zealand or South African. Here, indeed, was a new world in which I walked. Save on parade, or on some official occasions, I had never seen the officers' uniform in London streets. Behold, after three years' absence, it was everywhere.

TWO SPIRITUAL DIFFERENCES

Now, what feeling did I get out of all this silent revolution? Amid the amazing sameness of life in all essentials, the carrying on of trade, the cheerful comings and goings, the whistling messenger, the thundering numbers, I recognised what I may call two spiritual differences. These are a greater sobriety, and a franker acceptance of comradeship; the shops were full of expensive articles of luxury, but no doubt, were well patronised; at tea-time the innumerable resorts were filled with a mass of young folk and old—chattering, eating, drinking, and laughing. But was this war time? Yes, I began to get behind the surface of things and see the real significance of these appearances.

The changes I saw were the result, not of circumstance, but of a change of heart. They sprang from the inner freedom of the human mind, which is war, which brings the world together, and unifies it. This is all together, the unification of the human mind, the very definition and the very essence of war.

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Women have achieved in themselves, combined with their admiration and affection for our gallant boys. Don't laugh at the word affection; for I am going to explain that. This independence of women has brought with it, not what some people feared, extravagance, but a greater sobriety; and the relations between the sexes are established anew on a firmer and healthier and pleasanter basis.

But this comradeship, this drawing together, is not merely an affair of young folk. It is observable in all strata of society. In a very real way, the insular austerity or aloofness of our manners is being relaxed. The very sight of khaki in the streets is a solvent. The splendid sacrifice of our young men in all stations has made a call upon the chords of the heart. A soldier passing shines in the reflected glory of the Great Sacrifice. The camaraderie of the town is significant and portentous. Out of it shall emerge a newer civilisation. Such at least are my thoughts. The Great City has softened; its colour is not so austere; it has gained flexibility, in addition to strength. The community of interests, of sacrifice, of hope, of ideals, has marked a further and a larger step in the evolution of our race.

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TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

ADMIRAL JELlicoe's SUCCESSOR.

LONDON, Dec. 26. Vice-Admiral Roslyn Wemyss, C.M.G., M.V.O., has been appointed to succeed Admiral Jellicoe who has been elevated to the Peerage in recognition of his very distinguished services.

It is hoped that Admiral Jellicoe's experience will be utilised later in another important appointment.

FIRST LORD OF THE ADMIRALTY AT SANDRINGHAM.

LONDON, Dec. 26. Sir Eric Geddes, First Lord of the Admiralty, was received in audience by the King, at Sandringham, on Christmas morning.

THE BRITISH NATIONAL DEBT. MR. BONAR LAW AND CONSCRIPTION OF WEALTH.

LONDON, Dec. 26. The full report of the recent speech made by Mr. Bonar Law when replying to the Trade Union Congress Parliamentary Committee which urged the conscription of wealth, shows that he emphasised that he personally favoured a levy on capital at the end of the war as the best means of reducing the National Debt. He pointed out that while any such burden must ultimately fall upon industry, the political situation after the war would be such that the wealthy will have to continue to pay for the war. Hence the question whether there should be a levy upon wealth, or that the burden should be spread over fifty years mainly concerned the wealthy classes. It was a question of which method would pay them best, and pay the country best. He disagreed with Mr. Sydney Webb that a levy on capital could be made during the war. "If you try it, you won't get the money and you will run the risk of falling short of money."

POLAR EXPLORATION.

OTTAWA, Dec. 26. Mr. Stefansson, Commander of the Canadian Arctic Expedition, has arrived at Fort Yukon.

Mr. Stefansson went north in 1915 for further examination of the new land discovered by him in the area north of the Beaufort Sea.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

GENERAL ALLENBY'S MESSAGE TO GENERAL PERSSING.

LONDON, Dec. 26. General Allenby sent a message to General Pershing stating that the British troops in Bethlehem, on Christmas Eve, sent to their American comrades a message of greeting and the hope that through their achievement of their common purpose, the law of force may yield to the force of law and peace and goodwill reign at length on earth.

SIR DOUGLAS HAIG'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE KING'S MESSAGE.

LONDON, Dec. 26. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, acknowledging the King's message, yesterday, says: "His Majesty's determination of the Forces to fight in defence of the integrity and honour of the Empire, until final victory is secured."

MESSAGES TO THE DOMINIONS.

Sir Douglas Haig sent messages to the Governors of the Dominions and to the Governor of Newfoundland, conveying the season's heartiest good wishes from all ranks, to the respective countries, and he also sent messages to the Commander-in-Chief in India and in the centres of operations outside France, conveying greetings to their comrades.

UNNECESSARY WORKS.

WHY waste words and advertising space in describing the many points of merit in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy? The most fastidious are satisfied when we state that it cures colds and coughs from any cause, and that it contains absolutely no narcotics or injurious substances. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

MUTUAL ARTILLERY AND PATROL ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Dec. 26. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

There were mutual artillery firing and patrol encounters.

MODEST CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES.

LONDON, Dec. 26. Reuter's Correspondent at Headquarters states:—

Christmas Day was sunny, with a blue sky.

The festivities generally were of a modest character compared with the previous year, but the usual cheerfulness prevailed. There was no question even of a temporary fraternisation with the enemy.

Plum pudding was served out for the first time as a ration. This had been previously provided through private generosity.

Our guns have been active throughout the past twenty-four hours, and they wrought terrible havoc on an enemy infantry concentration in the neighbourhood of Beclere yesterday afternoon.

FRENCH ARTILLERY ACTIVE.

LONDON, Dec. 26. A French communiqué states that there was moderate artillery firing on the greater part of the front, but it was fairly lively on the right of the Meuse.

BOMBING OF DUNKIRK CONTINUES.

LONDON, Dec. 26. A French communiqué states:—

Two German aeroplanes were brought down.

Enemy aeroplanes bombed Dunkirk on the evening of the 22nd instant. There were several victims.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

A SANGUINARY BATTLE.

LONDON, Dec. 26. An Italian official report states:—

On the Asiago Plateau the battle continued fiercely and sanguinarily all day.

Our counter-attacks succeeded in harassing the enemy.

We recovered the batteries and machine-guns we abandoned in the previous fighting.

Our fire destroyed a column advancing from Berio.

We recovered and held for some time the summit of Mount Valbella. We also ascended the slopes of Col. Del Rosso and engaged the enemy under the summit in a heavy hand-to-hand fight.

AN ANXIOUS WEEK AHEAD.

LONDON, Dec. 26. Reuter's Correspondent with the French Army in Italy, referring to the vigorous Austrian offensive on the Asiago Plateau west of the Brenta, mentioned in the official communiqué, anticipates that if the enemy maintains his gains he will attack the Monte Grappa position in great force.

The Allied Staffs are prepared for all eventualities.

The enemy is able to shell the nearest village in the plain, but there is little likelihood that he will succeed in breaking through from the hills. Nevertheless, the ensuing week will be an anxious one for Italy and the Allies.

The aversableness of the weather is such that the enemy is likely to endeavour to force the winter campaign to a decision without delay.

AUSTRIAN GAIN SMALL.

LONDON, Dec. 26. The Austrian gain at Mount Valbella was two-thirds of a mile. It has merely resulted in wiping out a small Italian salient.

The enemy is thinning his Piave line and is also bringing up fresh troops from the Russo-Rumanian front in order to strengthen the mountain sector preparatory to a renewed onslaught on the Grappa positions, where the German forces have concentrated.

Serious fighting has broken out in the region to the left of the Frenzela Valley.

GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, Dec. 26. A German official message states:—

We repulsed counter-attacks on our newly-won positions, in the thrust at Monte Pertica.

The total of our prisoners taken at Col Del Rosso is 9,000.

NEW WAY OF MARRYING.

AUSTRALIAN SOLDIER EXPLAINS TO COURT A "NICE NEW" METHOD.

An Australian gunlayer at Willesden Police Court recently asked for a declaration to be made: "That I am going to be married to-morrow."

Applicant: I have a declaration. I have to take this to the Pay Office.

Mr. Luke: Have you the licence? Not yet, sir.

Mr. Luke, after reading the form, said: "I will sign this, and say you have made a solemn declaration that you are going to get married to-morrow."

Applicant: I have to draw my money to pay for the licence and other expenses, and I can't get that without the form.

Another soldier rose in the court, and said: "This is the quietest. I got married like this last week."

Mr. Luke: When did you give notice?—The night before. (You can give notice at night and give notice and get married next day.)

Mr. Luke expressed the opinion that this was a nice new way of getting married.

Another Magistrate: A quick way. The form was signed.

THE SHANGHAI LIBEL ACTION.

ACTION.

Up to the time the last hull left Shanghai, the libel action arising out of the winning of the first prize in the Sweep on the race for the Championship had occupied four days in the Minto Court.

We take the following extracts from the report of the cross-examination of Mr. W. Rodger, the plaintiff.

Witness throughout the early part of the cross-examination gave long answers, and in an answer to a question asked by Mr. Godfrey (for the defendant Wong) said: "Mr. Rodger, if you were in my place and some one else in the witness box, you would jump on him for an answer like that."

The Assessor (Mr. Perkins)—We must proceed in the manner of question and answer, and if that cannot be done the only thing to do is to strike out your testimony.

Counsel referred witness to the letter written by Wong asking for the numbers of the eight Champions tickets "bought on my behalf." Witness said he read the letter hurriedly and did not notice the error and if he had would have attributed it to a grammatical mistake.

In reply to a further question, witness said:—Does it not seem to you that you are wasting time?

Mr. Godfrey—if you were not so ridiculous, we should get very angry with you.

The Assessor—I have shown considerable patience than I am accustomed to. Mr. Godfrey's duty is to question you closely on these points and to test them. It is impossible to conduct a cross-examination if every point which is brought up is to be argued at the time.

Witness said he had no suggestion to make as to why Wong should have used the words in question. Witness lost sight upon the matter as if he had bought the eight tickets with his own money and had given Wong half of whatever was won.

Mr. Godfrey—Because you were under an obligation to him? Well, he had refused to take the money.

Plaintiff was cross-examined at some length regarding the arrest of the defendant without authority. Plaintiff said that he had applied for a summons for immediate security the day before. He thought the man would probably be held by the police until that could issue because he expected defendant would attempt to abscond, and it was upon that that he acted.

My question was, had you anybody's authority to take that action? I have given you my answer.

Had you anybody's authority? I have answered that question fully. Mr. Godfrey, it is no use asking questions three or four times.

Did you consider you had authority to arrest the man?—I say there was no arrest. I wanted the man to come to the American Consulate.

Please don't repeat your answers. Witness persisted in his claim that there was no arrest until the American Assessor had fixed the security.

Questioned as to the differences between the evidence given on his behalf and the statements in the position witness said it was due to the fact that the police had not come up to their original statements in Court out of friendship to Wong. They were very much more free in their statements to witness than they were in Court.

Mr. Godfrey—Do you say that the police have been short in their evidence because they are good friends of Wong and are protecting Wong?—I say that the police who have appeared here have known Wong for a number of years. They are good friends and they are protecting Wong as far as they could and they have come to the Court and answered the questions which were put to them truthfully.

Witness added that he thought the police had attempted to tell the exact truth, but they had protected Wong as far as they could in agreement with their consciences.

Witness admitted that he sold the half share in the ticket without the defendant's knowledge and consent before the sale, but he knew of it before the race. The matter was left in his hands and before the race Wong approved of the sale. It was raised repeatedly after the race.

Witness reminded counsel that everything was left in his hands. He did not discuss with Wong the question of possibly selling a half share in the ticket.

Don't you think it would have been a simple thing to have looked for Wong before the race?—As I had full authority to deal with the matter, I did not think it was at all necessary.

The case was again adjourned.

SUSPECTED MURDER AT ONTARIO.

ONTARIO.

The body of a Chinese, evidently of the well-to-do class, was found on Sunday by a foreman of the Sanitary Department, on a vacant piece of ground at Saigon Street, midway between Nathan Road and Woosung Street.

The deceased appeared to have been shot at from behind, the bullet having entered the nape of the neck and emerged from the right eye. The bullet had evidently been fired from a 32 calibre automatic revolver, as a 32 calibre cartridge case was found near the body.

This police investigation has revealed that the man had arrived only recently from Shanghai. The murder was not actuated from motives of robbery, as a large sum of money was found on the deceased's person.

It is understood that a man has been arrested in connection with this affair.

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SPORT IN THE HOLIDAYS.

THE GOLF COMPETITIONS.

In the Mixed Foursome Competition 9 holes medal play over the Relief Course, Mrs. Pearce and Mr. A. B. Stewart won with the score 43-5-40.

In the Electric Competition extended, from December 22nd to 26th, for men, over the Main Course, Mr. A. Ritchie won with 74, Mr. Longhink with 75.

In the principal event, i.e., the Mixed Foursome Competition over the Main Course, December 26th four completed for first place.

Mrs. Wolfe and Mr. E. V. D. Parr. Mrs. Draper and Mr. S. Brant. Miss Ritchie and Mr. R. G. Herbert. Miss Gorrion and Mr. C. B. Johnston. nett score being 101; they are requested to play off on or before Jan. 1st.

The Ladies Medal Competition over the Relief Course, 9 holes, was won by Mrs. McKenney with the nett score of 50.

The Borgey Pool Competition over the Main Course for men, Saturday Dec. 22nd to Wednesday 26th was won by Mr. G. S. Archbutt, 2 down.

CRICKET.

HONGKONG C. C. v. THE UNITED SERVICES.

A two-day match was played between the above teams on Christmas Day and Boxing Day on the Hongkong C. C. ground.

Hongkong proved much too strong for the United Services, winning the match by 292 runs and six wickets.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. Penonby-Fane, l.h.w. b Morgan...	6	1	0	0
T. E. Pearce, c Murray, b Reakes...	44	1	0	0
H. E. Muriel, c Adams, b Morgan...	33	1	0	0
K. Brayshaw, b Graham...	61	1	0	0
C. E. Marley, b Reakes...	6	1	0	0
Cond. Gibson, b Brayshaw...	18	1	0	0
M. M. Macrae, b Brayshaw...	18	1	0	0
J. Stalker, c Wright, b Reakes...	10	1	0	0
R. Kennedy, b Morgan...	7	1	0	0
E. W. Hamilton, c Reakes, b Graham...	11	1	0	0
P. H. Cobb, c Mack, b Morgan...	12	1	0	0
D. E. Donnelly, not out...	16	1	0	0
Extras...	16	1	0	0
Total...	234	1	0	0

BOWLING ANALYSIS UNITED SERVICES.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
La. Col. Morgan...	10	3	63	5
Cpl. Graham...	23	5	67	2
Cpl. S. Reakes...	14	1	67	2
Sig. Hack...	4	0	21	0

UNITED SERVICES.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Sig. Hack, b Hamilton...	11	1	0	0
Maj. Robertson, c Penonby-Fane...	17	1	0	0
Hamilton...	17	1	0	0
Lieut. Murray, c Pearce, b Hamilton...	4	1	0	0
Cond. Gibson, b Brayshaw...	51	1	0	0
La. Col. Morgan, b Brayshaw...	18	1	0	0
Cpl. Graham, b Brayshaw...	52	1	0	0
Asst. Robinson, c Pearce, b Brayshaw...	15	1	0	0
M. Reyes, l.h.w. b Brayshaw...	15	1	0	0
Corp. Adams, c Cobb...	14	1	0	0
C. M. S. Reakes, c b Brayshaw...	18	1	0	0
Gnr. Charnock, not out...	6	1	0	0
Extras...	14	1	0	0
Total...	254	1	0	0

BOWLING ANALYSIS UNITED SERVICES.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
P. H. Cobb...	13	1	44	2
E. W. Hamilton...	12	1	44	2
K. Brayshaw...	21.2	1	70	0
D. E. Donnelly...	5	1	10	0
J. Stalker...	4	0	21	1

2nd innings HONGKONG.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
H. E. Muriel, c and b Cond. Gibson...	80	1	0	0
T. E. Pearce, not out...	62	1	0	0
J. Stalker, b Graham, c Cond. Gibson...	17	1	0	0
P. H. Cobb, not out...	23	1	0	0
K. Brayshaw, not out...	21	1	0	0
R. Kennedy...	7	1	0	0
R. Penonby-Fane...	7	1	0	0
O. E. Donnelly...	1	1	0	0
P. H. Cobb...	1	1	0	0
P. W. Hamilton...	1	1	0	0
A. A. Maas...	1	1	0	0
Extras...	6	1	0	0
Total...	195	1	0	0

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Col. Morgan...	9	0	43	0
Corp. Graham...	9	1	25	1
Cond. Gibson...	11	0	69	2
C. M. S. Reakes...	7	0	30	0
Asst. Pay. Robinson...	2	0	16	0

UNITED SERVICES.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Sig. Hack, b Hamilton...	10	1	0	0
Maj. Robertson, retired, hurt...	10	1	0	0
Lieut. Murray, l.h.w. Hamilton...	6	1	0	0
Cond. Gibson, not out...	1	1	0	0
G. Sharnan, c and b Brayshaw...	7	1	0	0
Asst. P. Robinson, c Brayshaw...	7	1	0	0
Hamilton...	7	1	0	0
Mr. Reyes, c Brayshaw...	13	1	0	0
Corp. Graham, not out...	13	1	0	0
La. Col. Morgan, b Brayshaw...	8	1	0	0
C. M. S. Reakes, c Pearce, b Hamilton...	1	1	0	0
Corp. Adams, b Brayshaw...	4	1	0	0
Extras...	2	1	0	0
Total...	88	1	0	0

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
K. Brayshaw...	9	1	25	1
E. W. Hamilton...	8	1	40	4

FOOTBALL.

BOXING DAY MATCHES.

SERVICES v. CIVILIANS.

The game opened with the Civilians attacking and within a few minutes of play, E. R. Hyndman tried to score, but shot wide. The soldiers then made a rush up the field, but the Civilians' defence proved strong and the ball was soon sent back out of danger.

Backwards and forwards the ball travelled and it was difficult to say which side had the better of the game. Kwo Po Koon took possession of the ball and shot, the goalie rushed out and attempted to hit it away before it became dangerous. He missed and R. Omar, who pushed the ball into the goal, and Woodson rushing up put the finishing touch. A little while later, At. Kit Sang, scored a goal, which the goal keeper was unable to save.

The game closed 2-0 when the interval came.

On resuming play, the soldiers began seriously round the Civilians' goal. Omar was sent again and scored a second goal on the occasion. A goal shot from Kwo Po Koon was intercepted.

A scramble in front of the goal was directed. The ball struck the post, and would have gone in but not U. Omar caught it on the rebound and quickly threw it out. This was followed by a rush to the soldiers' territory, and from a fine run by R. Omar, Woodson scored the third goal for the Civilians. In spite of this, the soldiers were not disheartened and frequently raided the Civilians' territory. Their rushes were always dangerous and had it not been for the fine defence put by the two backs, their efforts would not have been without result. Kwo Po Koon essayed a shot at the goal, the goalie rushed out and cleared, but in hitting it out he unhappily placed it to E. R. Hyndman who promptly took advantage of the unprotected goal and scored. Result: Civilians, 4; Services, 0.

Servicos.—R. Glenroy (S. & D.); T. Lawrence (S. & D. Capt.) and W. Jones (S. & D. Co.). French (Midex), S. Waller (R.E.), and Knight (S. & D. Co.). Millard (R.E.), J. Watson (S. & D. Co.). Osborne (R.E.), Connor (S. & D.) and J. E. Jones (S. & D.).

Civilians.—U. Omar (St. J. G. Capt.), Cheong Wing Hon (S. & D. A.) and E. R. Hyndman (St. J. G. A.) (Paseo (Kowloon) Johnson (St. J. G. A.) and Lung To Fong (S. & D. A.); R. Omar (St. J. G. A.); Woodson (Kowloon); E. R. Hyndman (St. J. G. A.) Au Kit Sang (S. & D. A.) and Kwo Po Koon (S. & D. A.).

Referee: Mr. Atwill.

ENGLAND v. SCOTLAND.

A very big crowd turned out to witness this match, it being expected that the game provided would be above the ordinary and the spectators were not disappointed. Scotland began the attack. Youngman got possession of the leather and centred it nicely, but Coaker was ready and effectually cleared. The ball was then carried into Scotland's territory. Walden and Sayers played a fine passing game and from a run the former passed the ball to Sayers who promptly shot, but the ball went wide. The ball was returned to England's territory, and Macavish almost scored with a high shot which the goalie just managed to clear by pushing the ball over the bar and conceding a corner. This was well placed by Stalker but was eventually cleared. Shortly before the interval Stewart received a ball full in the abdomen necessitating his leaving the field for a short time.

The second half was more productive of excitement. Sayers again had another try at the goal. This time the ball struck the bar and before the English could recapture the ball, McCabbin sent the ball out of danger with a hefty kick which gained him applause. White, the Scots half back, played an excellent game, constantly robbing his opponents of the ball. Stalker then tested the goalie with a stiff shot at close range, but the latter was equal to the occasion. On one occasion play gathered round England's goal and the goalie was discomfited with shots from all angles, but he was in fine form and cleared all. In a scramble for the ball, Macavish accidentally kicked Dickson, Sayers in the eye, but the resolute player returned to the game as soon as his eye was attended to. Dickson played a fine game and frequently robbed Youngman of the ball before the latter had a chance to shoot. The hot pace commenced at the beginning of the game was maintained to the finish and the game was the best witnessed during the season. Result: A draw. Referee: Mr. Wright.

Scotland.—Rodger (Club); McCabbin and Irvine (Club); White (R.E.); Stewart (Club); and Chasell (Club); Youngman (R.G.A.); Macavish (Club); Gordon (R.E.); Cook (Midex) and Stalker (Club).

England.—Coaker (Navy) and Dickson (R.G.A.); Hirdley (R.E.); Smith (R.E.) and Townsend (R.G.A.); Hutchinson (Navy); Llewellyn (Navy); Sayers (Midex); Gressie (R.G.A.) and Walden (Midex). Referee: Mr. Wright.

UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

The players picked to represent the Hongkong Defence Corps in their game with the R.G.A. on Saturday the 29th inst. at 4 p.m. on the Club Ground, are as follows:—Goldenberg; Cave, McCabbin (Captain); Ralston; Stewart; Rodger; Grimmett; Chasella; Irvine; McTavish; Stalker; Reserve: Ralston.

CRICKET.

The following have been selected to represent the University in a League Match against the Graingower Cricket Club on Saturday, December 29th at 2 p.m. on the Graingower Ground:—A. H. Ramchand (Capt.); R. A. Penonby-Fane; W. Giffen; E. A. Redmond; D. K. Samy; J. D. Wright; G. Hall; G. E. Marley; Cheah Toon Lock; J. M. Jack; K. Brayshaw.

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HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Orders for Artillery Company by Captain J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

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FRIDAY, 27th January 1918.—
7.30 a.m. Right Half Company. Full Parade.

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31st to 35th instant.
Lt. L. Manning, night at Belchers and Lyemum. Parades as per Rosters posted at Headquarters.
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OFFICERS MEET FOR DUTY.

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Lieut. R. Hall, having returned to the Colon, has resumed duty at stations.

PARADES FOR INSTRUCTION.
No parade will be held during the fortnight ending 31st January, 1918.

Orders for Cadet Company by 2nd Lieut. J. E. W. Baird.

CAMP.

SATURDAY, 26th instant.
Nos. 1 and 2 Sections will parade at Headquarters at 10 a.m.
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G. M. STEWART,

Captain,

Adjutant, Hongkong Defence Corps.
Hongkong, 26th, December, 1917.

NOTICE.

SERJEANTS MEET.
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Every member not on duty to attend.

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Cheung Chow	7.30 A.M.	8.30 A.M.
Shantou, Shatin and Sheungshui	4.00 P.M.	
Aberdeen, Antau, Ping Shan, Sai Kung, San Tin, Stanley	4.30 P.M.	

From	Week-Days	Sundays & Holidays
Canton, Samson and Wanchow	5.00 P.M.	5.30 P.M.
Macao	1.30 P.M.	5.00 A.M.
Kowloon	8.00 P.M.	5.00 P.M.
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Canton	7.30 A.M., 8.30 P.M., 9.30 P.M.	7.30 A.M., 8.30 P.M., 9.30 P.M.
Tai Ping	9.30 P.M., 9.30 P.M., 9.30 P.M.	9.30 P.M., 9.30 P.M., 9.30 P.M.
Shamshui	8.30 P.M., 8.30 P.M., 8.30 P.M.	8.30 P.M., 8.30 P.M., 8.30 P.M.
Kowloon	8.00 P.M., 8.00 P.M., 8.00 P.M.	8.00 P.M., 8.00 P.M., 8.00 P.M.
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Previous	20.10	20.15	20.11
Barometer	30.10	30.15	30.11
Temperature	33	40	30
Humidity	33	40	30
Direction of Wind	245	245	245
Force	2	3	4
Weather	b	b	b
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HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1915-16.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

December 28th to January 3rd, 1918.

HIGH WATER			
Time	Height	Time	Height
Dec. 28	10.15	1.15	1.15
29	11.15	2.15	2.15
30	12.15	3.15	3.15
31	1.15	4.15	4.15
Jan. 1	2.15	5.15	5.15
2	3.15	6.15	6.15
3	4.15	7.15	7.15
4	5.15	8.15	8.15
5	6.15	9.15	9.15
6	7.15	10.15	10.15
7	8.15	11.15	11.15
8	9.15	12.15	12.15
9	10.15	1.15	1.15
10	11.15	2.15	2.15
11	12.15	3.15	3.15
12	1.15	4.15	4.15
13	2.15	5.15	5.15
14	3.15	6.15	6.15
15	4.15	7.15	7.15
16	5.15	8.15	8.15
17	6.15	9.15	9.15
18	7.15	10.15	10.15
19	8.15	11.15	11.15
20	9.15	12.15	12.15
21	10.15	1.15	1.15
22	11.15	2.15	2.15
23	12.15	3.15	3.15
24	1.15	4.15	4.15
25	2.15	5.15	5.15
26	3.15	6.15	6.15
27	4.15	7.15	7.15
28	5.15	8.15	8.15
29	6.15	9.15	9.15
30	7.15	10.15	10.15
31	8.15	11.15	11.15
1	9.15	12.15	12.15
2	10.15	1.15	1.15
3	11.15	2.15	2.15
4	12.15	3.15	3.15
5	1.15	4.15	4.15
6	2.15	5.15	5.15
7	3.15	6.15	6.15
8	4.15	7.15	7.15
9	5.15	8.15	8.15
10	6.15	9.15	9.15
11	7.15	10.15	10.15
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15	11.15	2.15	2.15
16	12.15	3.15	3.15
17	1.15	4.15	4.15
18	2.15	5.15	5.15
19	3.15	6.15	6.15
20	4.15	7.15	7.15
21	5.15	8.15	8.15
22	6.15	9.15	9.15
23	7.15	10.15	10.15
24	8.15	11.15	11.15
25	9.15	12.15	12.15
26	10.15	1.15	1.15
27	11.15	2.15	2.15
28	12.15	3.15	3.15
29	1.15	4.15	4.15
30	2.15	5.15	5.15
31	3.15	6.15	6.15

Temperature.

Hongkong, December 27, 1917.			
Time	Temp.	Time	Temp.
8 A.M.	20.10	8 P.M.	3.74
1 P.M.	20.15	9 P.M.	3.00
4 P.M.	20.11	10 P.M.	2.50
7 P.M.	20.11	11 P.M.	2.50
12 A.M.	20.11	12 A.M.	2.50
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